

MOSQUITO PROBLEMS START AT HOME!

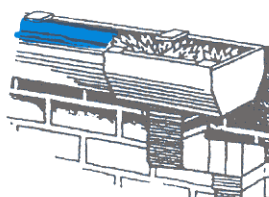
MOSQUITOES BREED WHEREVER
WATER COLLECTS-
CHECK YOUR BACKYARD AND HOME!



IN OLD BOTTLES
AND CANS



IN OVERGROWN PONDS



IN LEAF-CLOGGED
GUTTERS



IN FLOWER
POT DISHES



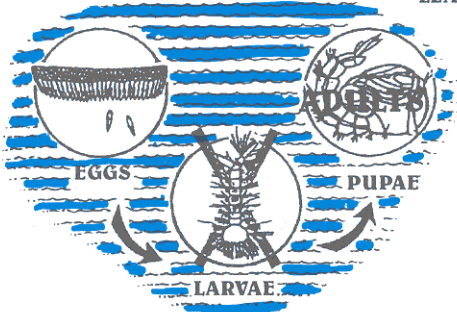
ADULT



IN WATER FROM
LEAKY FAUCETS



IN RAIN BARRELS



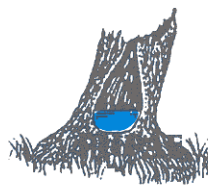
IT TAKES ABOUT ONE WEEK
FOR A MOSQUITO TO GROW
FROM EGG TO ADULT



IN USED TIRES



IN BIRD BATHS



IN TREE HOLES

The Following Information has been provided by Pima County Vector Control as a reminder of how easily mosquitoes can find a breeding spot in your yard.

ARE MOSQUITOES BUGGING YOU?

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Knowing that mosquitoes reproduce by laying eggs in standing water is one key to reducing mosquito populations.

Eliminating standing water will greatly enhance our battle against these pesky and sometimes dangerous insects. Eggs laid in standing water hatch into noticeable larvae in a couple of days. The elongated larvae “wiggle” when disturbed and are easy to identify. Some become adult biting females within a week during summer conditions.

Rainfall creates standing water, but hoses, water sprinklers, swamp coolers and anything that allows water to accumulate does the same thing. Sites to check regularly include birdbaths, pet watering dishes, saucers under potted plants, wheelbarrows, and buckets. Don't overlook cup holders on exercise equipment, non circulating swimming pools (look in skimmers), plastic wading pools, tin cans, old tires, watering cans and plants rooting in water. Check recycle bins for contents that may hold water. Decorative pools may also be the culprit. Look for standing water conditions **indoors** also.

REMEMBER

- **Change the water** every few days
- **Invert or cover** water holding items when not in use
- **Eliminate** items you don't use



For more information
call Pima County Consumer
Health and Food Safety
at 740-2760.

